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PRICE, \$2 PER MONTH.

AGENTS FOR THE CHINA MAIL.

LONDON.—F. ALLEN, 11 & 12, Old Bailey.
Lombard Street, E. C. GEORGE
STREET & Co., 30, Cornhill. GORDON
& GUTHRIE, Leadenhall Street, E. C. BATH
HARVEY & Co., 37, Walbrook, E. C.
SAMUEL DEACON & Co., 160 & 164,
Leadenhall Street, W. M. WILLS, 151,
Pavilion Street, E. C.
PARIS AND EUROPE.—ANGELI PRINCE
& Co., 36, Rue Lafayette, Paris.
NEW YORK.—ANDREW WIND, 21, Park
Row.
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generally.—BRYAN & BLAIR, San Francisco.
AUSTRALIA, TASMANIA, AND NEW
ZEALAND.—GORDON & GUTHRIE, Mel-
bourne and Sydney.
CEYLON.—W. M. SMITH & Co., THE
APOTHECARIAN CO., Colombo.
SINGAPORE, ST. PAUL'S, SINGAPORE.—SAYLE &
Co., Square, Singapore. G. HEINZES
& Co., Malacca.
CHINA.—W. M. F. DE CRUZ, Sze-
tau, QUELON & Co., Amoy, N. MOALLS,
Hongkong, HONGKONG & Co., Shanghai,
LANE, CRAWFORD & Co., and KYLE
& WATSON, Yokohama, Japan, CRAW-
FORD & Co., and KYLE & Co.

BANKS.

HONGKONG & SHANGHAI BANKING
CORPORATION.
PAID-UP CAPITAL, \$7,500,000
RESERVE FUND, \$4,500,000
RESERVE LIABILITIES, \$7,500,000
PROFITS, \$87,500,000

COURT OF DIRECTORS.
Chairman—M. GIBBS, Esq.
Deputy Chairman—O. D. BOTTOMEY, Esq.
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Esq. Hon. F. D. SASSOON.
W. H. FORBES, Esq.
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Hongkong, J. B. JACKSON, Esq.
Acting Chief Manager—JOHN WALTER, Esq.
MANAGER.
Shanghai, E. W. CAMERON, Esq.
LONDON BANKERS—LONDON AND COUNTY
Bank.

HONGKONG
INTEREST ALLOWED.
On Current Deposit—Account at the rate
of 2 per cent. per annum on the daily
balance.

On Fixed Deposit—
For 3 months, 4 per cent. " "
" 6 months, 5 per cent. " "
" 12 months, 6 per cent. " "

LOCAL BILLS DISCOUNTED.
Credits granted on approved Securities,
and every description of Banking and
Exchange business transacted.
Drafts granted on London, and the
chief Commercial places in Europe, India,
Australia, America, China and Japan.
JOHN WALTER,
Acting Chief Manager.
Hongkong, July 18, 1887. 363

NOTICE.

RULES OF THE HONGKONG
SAVINGS' BANK.

1. The business of the above Bank will
be conducted by the Hongkong and
Shanghai Banking Corporation, on their
premises in Hongkong. Business hours
on week-days, 10 to 3; Saturdays, 10
to 1.
2. Sums less than \$1, or more than \$250
at one time will not be received by the
depositor who deposit more than \$250
in any one year.
3. Depositors in the Savings Bank having
\$100 or more at their credit may at
their option transfer the same to the
Hongkong and Shanghai Banking Cor-
poration on fixed deposit for 12 months
at 5 per cent. per annum interest.
4. Interest at the rate of 3 1/2 per cent. per
annum will be allowed to depositors on
their daily balances.
5. Each Depositor will be supplied gratis
with a Pass-Book which must be pre-
sented with each payment or with-
drawal. Depositors must not make
any entries themselves in their Pass-
Books but should send them to be
written up at least twice a year, about
the beginning of January and begin-
ning of July.
6. Correspondence as to the business of
the Bank is marked ON HONGKONG
SAVINGS' BANK Business is forwarded free
by the various British Post Offices in
Hongkong and China.
7. Withdrawals may be made on demand,
but the personal attention of the
depositor or his duly appointed agent
and the production of his Pass-Book
are necessary.
For the
HONGKONG & SHANGHAI BANKING
CORPORATION,
JOHN WALTER,
Acting Chief Manager.
Hongkong, June 7, 1887. 754

NOTICES OF FIRMS.

NOTICE is hereby given that the BUSI-
NESS of GENERAL STORE-KEEPERS and
COMMISSION AGENTS previously carried on
at Fookshing, in the Empire of China, under
the Firm or Chop of HOK LEE HONG &
Co. by HONG AN HOK and TAN KINE SING
in Co-partnership, was DISSOLVED on
the 31 day of January, 1887, and the Re-
sponsibility of the said TAN KINE SING for
any DEBT or LIABILITY incurred by the said
Firm or Chop terminated on the 31 day
of January, 1887.
HOK LEE & Co.,
Fookshing.
Singapore, 17th May, 1887.

WITH Reference to the above, I, TONG
AH HOK, of Fookshing, beg to notify
the Public that the BUSINESS of the
HOK LEE HONG & Co. as GENERAL
STORE-KEEPERS and COMMISSION AGENTS,
is now being carried on at Fookshing, as hereto-
fore by TAM KIM CHING, of Singapore,
Merchant, and myself under the style of
HOK LEE HONG & Co.; and that I hold
a Power of Attorney from the said TAN
KINE SING as his Agent individually and
also as a Partner in the said Firm, to
transact all matters connected with the
Business of the Firm at Fookshing.
TONG AH HOK.
Hongkong, June 1, 1887. 7047

NOTICES OF FIRMS.

WE HAVE THIS DAY OPENED a
BRANCH of our Firm at HARKOW.
ARNHOLD, KARBURG & Co.
Hongkong, July 1, 1887. 1244

NOTICE.
THE AGENT at this Port of Messrs.
CALDECK MACGREGOR & Co.,
Shanghai, has This Day been Transferred
to Mr. ALEXANDER LEVY.
E. JONES HUGHES.

WITH Reference to the above Notice,
I have This Day assumed CHARGE
of the BUSINESS at this Port of Messrs.
CALDECK MACGREGOR & Co., Wine
and Spirit Merchants, Shanghai.
ALEXANDER LEVY.
Hongkong, June 30, 1887. 1240

Intimations.

HONGKONG, CANTON AND MACAO
STEAMBOAT COMPANY,
LIMITED.

NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS.

THE Forty-Second Ordinary Half-Yearly
MEETING of SHAREHOLDERS
in the Company will be held at the Office
of the Company, No. 7, Queen's Road
Central, on MONDAY, the 1st August,
at Three o'clock in the Afternoon, for the
purpose of receiving a Report of the
Directors, together with a Statement of
Accounts, declaring a Dividend, and elect-
ing Auditors.
The Transfer BOOKS of the Company
will be CLOSED from the 20th Instant to
the 1st August, inclusive.
By Order of the Board of Directors,
F. HENDERSON
Acting Secretary.
Hongkong, July 16, 1887. 1338

THE
ORIENTAL BANK CORPORATION
(IN LIQUIDATION).

NOTICE.
CREDITORS OF THE ORIENTAL BANK
CORPORATION, IN LIQUIDATION, are
hereby informed that under an agreement
between the Official Liquidator and The
Assessors of the Company, limited, the follow-
ing DIVIDENDS will be paid in addition to
the 16/3d. already paid to Creditors:
1/3d. on the 28th February, 1888.
1/3d. " " " 1889.
1/3d. " " " 1890.
Making in all 19/9d. in the 2.
E. W. RUTTER,
Agent for the Official Liquidator.
Hongkong, July 11, 1887. 1307

HONGKONG BRICK AND CEMENT
COMPANY, LIMITED.
OFFICE, No. 5, QUEEN'S ROAD.

FIRE BRICKS OF SUPERIOR
QUALITY FOR SALE.
PRICE, \$20 PER 1,000.
The following Testimonial has been re-
ceived from F. W. CROSS, Esq., Manager,
HONGKONG AND CHINA GAS COMPANY,
LIMITED:
"I have herewith much pleasure in test-
ifying to the quality of the FIRE BRICKS as
made by you at your new works.
"In appearance the Brick is light and soft
as compared with the ordinary Fire Brick
used in the Colony, but this I may say is
characteristic of the best English Fire
Brick.
"After a very severe test I have no hesi-
tation in saying that this Brick is admirably
suited to resist any degree of heat that it
may be likely to undergo and for all pur-
poses that Fire Bricks are used for.
"I am now about to build a new one of
my Furnaces and have no doubt of their
being able to stand as well as the English
Fire Bricks I have been using."
Hongkong, May 23, 1887. 981

WANTED.
FOR the S.S. Abyssinia, a PURSER,
or to
ADAMSON, BELL & Co.,
Hongkong, July 22, 1887. 1361

CHAS. J. GAUPP & Co.,
Chronometer Watch & Clock Makers,
Jewellers, Gold & Silversmiths.

NAUTICAL, SCIENTIFIC AND
METEOROLOGICAL
INSTRUMENTS.
VERMOREL'S PATENT
BINOCULARS AND TELESCOPES.
RETICULE'S LIQUID AND OTHER COMPASSES.
ADMIRALTY & EMERALD CHARTS,
NAUTICAL BOOKS.

English Silver & Electro-Plated Ware.
Christofle & Co.'s Electro-Plated Ware.
GOLD & SILVER JEWELLERY,
in great variety.
DIAMOND JEWELLERY.
A Splendid Collection of the Latest London
FASHIONS, at very moderate prices. 742

NOTICE.
HONGKONG AND WHAMPOA DOCK
COMPANY, LIMITED.

SHIPMASTERS and ENGINEERS are
respectfully informed that if upon
their arrival in this Harbour, NONE of
the Company's FOREMEN should be at
hand, Orders for REPAIRS, to be sent to the
HEAD OFFICE, No. 14, Praya Central, will
receive prompt attention.
In the event of Complaints being found
necessary, Communication with the Under-
signed is requested, when immediate steps
will be taken to rectify the cause of dis-
satisfaction.
D. GILLIES
Secretary.
Hongkong, August 25, 1885. 1459

Business Notices.



1887-8
CUMSHAW
TEA

LANE, CRAWFORD & Co.

HAVE the pleasure to inform the Community of Hongkong and neighbouring Ports,
that they have made arrangements in Fookshing for a SUPPLY of their MIXTURE
of the CHOICEST NEW TEAS.

THE CUMSHAW MIXTURE,
which in the course of many years, has acquired a deservedly high reputation, as evi-
denced by the large demand for use here, the appreciation shown by friends at home
to whom it has been sent, and the numerous orders received for it from old Hongkong
residents in the Colonies and elsewhere.
Messrs. LANE, CRAWFORD & Co. undertake to deliver this acceptable pre-
sent to friends in the United Kingdom, free of any charge whatever on the home side, at
Per. 5-Catty Box, \$7.50.
Orders are solicited for this Choice Tea, which will be forwarded by first Steamer, on
receipt of the usual form duly filled up.
LANE, CRAWFORD & Co.
Hongkong, July 18, 1887. 1353

W. POWELL & Co.

NEW GOODS.
LADIES' MACINTOSH COATS and MANTLES,
UMBRELLAS and PARASOLS.
PICOT EDGE RIBBONS, all Colours.
TUSSORE STRIPE DRESS MATERIALS.

NEW MILLINERY TRIMMINGS.
BLACK BEADED TABLES and DRESS TRIMMINGS.
FIVE O'CLOCK TEA CLOTHS. TIPPIN CLOTHS.
NEW KANGY WORK.
VICTORIA EXHIBITION, June 30, 1887.
(TELEPHONE 21). 1238

ROBERT LANG & Co.,
Tailors, Hatters, Shirtmakers & General Outfitters,
QUEEN'S ROAD (OPPOSITE HONGKONG HOTEL).

EX LATE ARRIVALS.

OUR SPRING STOCK OF
GENTLEMEN'S SHIRTS and COLLARS,
UNDERVESTS,
PANTS and HALF-HOSE,
BOOTS and SHOES,
CHRISTY'S FELT, TERAI and STRAW HATS,
UMBRELLAS,
HANDKERCHIEFS, &c.

Hongkong, April 6, 1887. 644

Victoria Hotel,
Praya and Queen's Road Central, Hongkong.

THIS Extensive and well-appointed Establishment, situated in one of the most central
and airy positions in the Colony and commanding a splendid view of almost
the entire harbour and within five minutes' walk of the principal Government
Offices (including the Post Office, Banks, &c.), has recently been much en-
larged and improved and is now one of the principal Hotels in the place.
The ROOMS are spacious, well ventilated, and have just been refurnished in a most
comfortable and handsome manner, suited to the requirements of the Far East.
The Accommodation and Service of every kind will be found to be of the best description.
An ample and varied TABLE D'HOTE is always provided and served in the spacious
large Dining Hall.
The HOTEL also contains handsome and comfortable Reception, Reading, Billiard
and Smoking Rooms.
The HOTEL is unsurpassed for comfort, convenience and quick service.
Continental languages are spoken.
Messrs. DORABJEE & HING KEE,
Proprietors.
Hongkong, September 16, 1885. 1612

STAC HOTEL,
QUEEN'S ROAD CENTRAL, HONGKONG.

J. COOK, Proprietor.
THE HOTEL is centrally situated and within a few minutes' walk from
the principal landing places.
GOOD ACCOMMODATION FOR VISITORS.
TIPPIN at 1 o'clock. DINNER at 7.30.

WELL VENTILATED BILLIARD ROOM.
TIPPIN 50 CENTS. DINNER 75 CENTS.
WINE, SPIRITS and MALT LIQUORS of the VERY BEST QUALITY ONLY.
Hongkong, April 1, 1887. 607

NOTICE.
THE Undersigned are SOLE AGENTS for
Hongkong and Manila for the Sale of
THE MONTERRAT LIME JUICE,
AND
THE MONTERRAT LIME JUICE
CORDIALS.
A. S. WATSON & Co., Ltd.
Hongkong, May 3, 1887. 864

NOW READY.
THE COMMERCIAL LAW AFFECT-
ING CHINESE, with special refer-
ence to PARTNERSHIP, REGISTRATION AND
BANKRUPTCY LAWS IN HONGKONG.

Copies may be had at the Chinese Mail
Office, and at Messrs. LANE, CRAWFORD &
Co.—Price, 75 cents.

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To Let.

TO LET.
(With Early Possession.)
THE DESIRABLE RESIDENCE
GREEN MOUNT,
Situated on the BONHAM ROAD.
Apply to
GILMAN & Co.
Hongkong, March 17, 1887. 488

TO BE LET.
(As a Whole or in Portions.)
BEACONSFIELD, lately occupied by
THE HONGKONG AND SHANGHAI BANK-
ING CORPORATION.—Possession from the 15th
of July, when the Repairs will be completed.
Apply to
BELLIOS & Co.,
or to
SEAR & Co.,
Estate Agents.
Hongkong, July 9, 1887. 1298

TO LET.
ROOMS in 'COLLEGE CHAMBERS.'
Apply to
DAVID SASSOON, SOYS & Co.,
Hongkong, May 25, 1887. 504

TO BE LET.
A VERY COMFORTABLE FURNISHED
HOUSE, Commanding extensive Sea
View, and very Cool in Summer.
Apply to
THE HONGKONG DISPENSARY.
Hongkong, June 16, 1887. 863

FOR SALE.
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JULES MUMFORD & Co.'s
CHAMPAGNE.
Quarts, \$20 per Case of 1 doz.
Pins, \$21 " " " 2 " "
DUBOIS & Co. Gamet & Co.'s
BORDEAUX CLARETS and
WHITE WINES.
Baxter's Celebrated 'Barley Bree'
WHISKY, \$7 per Case of 1 doz.
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Shipping.

THE CHINA & MANILA STEAMSHIP
COMPANY, LIMITED.
FOR MANILA VIA AMOY.
The Co.'s Steamship
Dumagat,
Capt. McCoslin, will be
despatched for the above
Ports on TUESDAY, the 26th Instant, at
4 p.m.
For Freight or Passage, apply to
RUSSELL & Co.,
General Managers.
Hongkong, July 22, 1887. 1370

OCEAN STEAMSHIP COMPANY.
FOR SHANGHAI VIA AMOY.
(Taking Cargo & Passengers at through rates
for NINGPO, CHEFOO, NEW
CHWANG, TIENTSIN, HANKOW and
Ports on the YANGTZE.)
The Co.'s Steamship
Lester,
Capt. Scott, will be
despatched as above on
THURSDAY, the 28th Instant.
For Freight or Passage, apply to
BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE,
Agents.
Hongkong, July 20, 1887. 1307

STEAM TO YOKOHAMA VIA NAGA-
SACKI AND KOBE.
(Passing through the INLAND SEA.)
The P. O. S. N. Co.'s
Steamship
Thetis
will leave for the above
places on FRIDAY, the 29th July, at 4 p.m.
E. L. WOODIN,
Acting Superintendent.

P. O. S. N. Co.'s Office.
Hongkong, July 18, 1887. 1340

GLENN LINE OF STEAM PACKETS.
FOR SHANGHAI.
(Taking Cargo & Passengers at through rates
for CHEFOO, TIENTSIN, NEW
CHWANG, HANKOW and Ports on
the YANGTZE.)
The Steamship
Cleary,
Capt. Webster, will be
despatched as above on
or the 30th Instant.
For Freight or Passage, apply to
JARDINE, MATHESON & Co.,
Agents.
Hongkong, July 23, 1887. 1386

NETHERLANDS INDIA STEAM
NAVIGATION COMPANY, LIMITED.
FOR BATAVIA, SAMARANG AND
SOERABAYA, VIA SAIGON
AND SINGAPORE.
The Co.'s Steamship
Borneo,
Capt. Wilkens, will be
despatched as above on
or about the 30th Instant.
For Freight or Passage, apply to
JARDINE, MATHESON & Co.,
Agents.
Hongkong, July 23, 1887. 1386

FOR SHANGHAI VIA AMOY.
(Taking Cargo & Passengers at through rates
for NINGPO, CHEFOO, NEW
CHWANG, TIENTSIN, HANKOW and
Ports on the YANGTZE.)
The Co.'s Steamship
Hatter, Capt. Hatter, will be
despatched as above on
SUNDAY, the 31st Instant.
For Freight or Passage, apply to
BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE,
Agents.
Hongkong, July 23, 1887. 1388

Sailing Vessels.
FOR SAN FRANCISCO.
The 3/4 L.L.I. American Bar-
quentine
Hattie N. Bangs,
BANGS, Master, will lead here
for the above Port, and will have quick
despatch.
For Freight, apply to
GONSALVES & Co.,
Hongkong, July 13, 1887. 1339

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SUPREME COURT
IN SUMMARY JURISDICTION.
(Before Mr. Justice Russell, Acting Chief
Justice, and a Special Jury.)
Monday, July 25th.

KEWICK AND ANOTHER v. SAITH-
TH. In a case in which Messrs Jardine
Matheson & Co., Hongkong, claimed \$900
for coal put on board the S. S. *Mount Je-
hannon*—in October, 1884; the defend-
ants being Mr John Smith, shipowner, Glas-
gow, and owner of the S. S. *Mount Je-
hannon*.

The Acting Attorney General, instructed
by Wilson of Messrs Watson & Deacon,
appeared for the plaintiffs, and Mr J.
Francis, Q.C., instructed by Mr Johnson
Messrs Sharp, Johnson and Stokes, ap-
peared for the defendant.

The following gentlemen were sworn
special juries:—Messrs C. J. Hirst, H.
H. Penryal, A. G. Gourdin, E. R. Bar-
low, M. D. Ezekiel, David Gillies and
W. H. H. H.

The Acting Attorney General explained

that this was an action for the recovery of 1-200 tons of coal placed on board Mount Lebanon by his clients; and points in dispute were particularly forth in the petition and answers which he then read; and which are as follow:—

1. The plaintiffs are merchants carrying on business at Victoria in the Colony of New South Wales, under the firm name of Jardine Matheson and Company.
2. The defendant is a shipowner of the

3. On the 3rd of October 1884 the steamer ship *Mount Lebanon* arrived in Hongkong from New-Castle, New South Wales, with a cargo of coals.

the knowledge of the master were weighed out on board and passed from one hold to the other and into the bunkers. This was a voluntary direction of the plaintiffs making such disposition of the coals had no intention of parting with their property and their or with their control over them and their own property.

5. On the 13th October the plaintiffs gave notice to the said master that the 117 3/4 tons of coal were their property and that they might require to remove the same from the ship.

them and on the 10th October they had
gave him notice that they were about
send lighters to the Steamer for delivery
of the coals and demanded delivery of
them; but the Defendant refused to
the Plaintiffs to have delivery of the
and wrongfully detains the same from
Plaintiffs.

The Plaintiffs therefore pray, That
Defendant may be ordered and decreed
deliver to the Plaintiffs the 1174 tons of
coal property of the Plaintiffs wrongfully

the nature of the case requires.
Dated this 14 day of November 1884
(Sd.) EDWARD L. O'MALLEY

1. The defendant admits the allegations contained in paragraphs 1, 2, 3, and 4 of the plaintiff's petition herein to be true, with this exception that he denies that the detention of the coal referred to in the 5th paragraph was wrongful.

The defendant by way of general reply to the plaintiff's petition, says that the

JULY 25, 1887.

Liverpool, left Singapore on the 23rd instant, and may be expected here on or about the 29th instant.

The delivery of the English mail was begun at 2.10 this afternoon.

H.B.M. sloop *Mutine* arrived yesterday evening from Singapore and this morning saluted the Commodore.

We hear that legal action will be taken against the alleged nuisance caused by the public urinal near the Clock Tower.

For those who do not care to wade through the long description of the Home papers about the Jubilee, we give a short and racy description from the *San Francisco Chronicle*, which will be found on our fourth page.

The *London & China Express* says:—Sir William de Vaux, the new Governor of Hongkong, has left Newfoundland for England. It is not probable that he will remain long in this country, but will proceed on almost immediately for his new post.

From the report of the *Belgie* it will be seen that the Yangtze had got up as far as Breaker Point, and was in good assistance. Her Chinese passengers have been transferred to the *Belgie*, and brought down to Hongkong. As the *Ningpo* left here yesterday forenoon, she would probably fall in with the Yangtze this morning. Breaker Point being about 140 miles from Hongkong. It is so far fortunate that the Yangtze, having refused assistance from several passing steamers, has as yet escaped any very serious catastrophe.

The last four days. But it is not to be compared with that which fell in 1867. The Paish has risen, and there is a very strong current.

A man fight which resulted in the death of one man and the wounding of two men took place in Stanley Street on Sunday morning. A coolie, named Un Asing, bought some vegetables from a hawk, and, after paying for them, went away with his purchases. On weighing the vegetables he found they were two taels short. He took them back to the hawk and said he had been cheated. The hawk, enraged at the accusation, took the vegetables and threw them into the street. A quarrel ensued, which was soon joined in by a large number of hawkers and coolies. The coolies, who had been largely reinforced from a coolie-house close by, proved the stronger party at first; but the hawkers went to a place in Webster's Bazaar and called out some of their clansmen, who were not loath to join in the fray. One of the new arrivals had a knife, and while the coolie, Un Asing, was fighting with another man this hawkier gave him a slash across his abdomen. The coolie ran into a shop but was put out and dropped down at the door, where he was found afterwards by the Police. He was taken to the Hospital, but died on the road. Meantime some of the ruffians had got their way to the Police Station, and a body of police was at once dispatched to the scene of the fight. They captured 24 of the rioters, but the man who had inflicted the mortal wound escaped, and it is said has now gained Chinese territory. The coolies are San-U-men, and the hawkers

Tai Straits Times says:—A desperate attempt on the life of our respected Protector of Chinese, Mr. Pickering, was made about 11.15 a.m. on the 18th inst., by a Tinchow carpenter. Mr. Pickering, at the time, was engaged in examining a number of newly-arrived Chinese immigrants, who were being taken aboard the steamer *Albatross* to the deck and throw the head of an axe straight at him. The poll of the axe struck him in the centre of the forehead inflicting an ugly wound, though fortunately not a fatal one. The man was immediately seized, but he proved so violent that it took six persons to bind him. He is now being detained in the lock-up, the motive induced him to attempt the crime: we are sure that our readers will sympathise with Mr. Pickering.

One can scarcely help remarking that during this week of festivity, when the congratulations of the Chinese and the benedictions of His Majesty on the auspicious occasion which is being celebrated, that the name of China is completely absent. No special envoy has attended, such as Japan and Siam accredited. An Imperial letter of congratulation, has, we believe, been sent, but with the same old-fashioned courtesy as that of the Emperor of Germany on the occasion of his celebrating his 80th birthday. It was despatched too late to be presented before the 21st inst. As we pointed out only recently, whether this is due to the usual Chinese procrastination or to an imperfect sense of the importance of the occasion, we are not in a position to say, but it is certainly an unfortunate that China has neglected so good an opportunity of cementing more firmly the intimate political relations now existing between the two countries. Perhaps we could scarcely look for the presence here of any member of the Imperial family, though the Chinese are anxious to have a suitable opportunity of finally breaking through her path of isolation, again presented to her for some years. Amongst the Princes of the Imperial House one might surely have been found to represent the country on such a unique occasion. What will the Chinese relinquish their inveterate habit of seeing in *mountain opéra d'opéra* ?

The *China Express*

pania Mexicana de Navegacion del Pa-
 or Mexico for lawful voyage to and
 China Seas and West Coast of America
 all ports and places in the Pacific dur-
 period of six months certain and was
 placed at disposal of Chartered of
 Agents, who would pay for the purpo-
 termination of the voyage on the
 then engaged, that it is to be of her
 from Newcastle New South Wal-
 Hongkong with coal.

The Charter Party was made in Lon-
 and dated the 18th Aug. 1884 and
 vided, among other things, that the
 steamer should pay for the use and
 of the steamer at the rate of £12,000
 monthly, payable at London in adv-
 month; that the steamer should be
 signed to and under the control of
 charterers or their agents at all ports,
 ing the time of the charter, and that
 the charterers should pay for the fuel
 fuel necessary to propel the steamer,
 should take over and pay for at cur-
 rates all coal on board at the com-
 ment of the charter, and that any
 placed on board by the charterers and
 remaining at the termination of the ch-
 should be taken on board at the cost
 of the charterers. (2) The plaintiffs
 and still are the agents of the charter-
 and the defendant and the master of
 steamer *Mount Lebanon* had no dealing
 transactions with them in any other ca-
 than as such agents. (3) The coals
 chased by the plaintiffs from the two
 the charterers were purchased on acc-
 of the Compania Mexicana and were w-
 over on board and passed into the bu-
 and holds of the steamer *Mount Leba-*
 and were received and taken by the de-
 ant and by the master of the steamer
 coals of the charterers supplied by
 agents under the charter and for the
 the coals were purchased by the pla-
 for themselves and as their own pro-
 as is alleged in the paragraph 4 of
 petition and if the coals were purch-
 the plaintiffs for themselves and as for
 own property as alleged they sold and
 ferred the coals to the Compania Mex-
 and delivered to the defendants
 and for the property of the said com-

